



CENTER FOR WOMEN & FAMILIES—TEMPORARY RELOCATION



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Director

In our last e-NEWS, I talked about our individual role in ending violence. In light of recent events in our community some of those comments are repeated here today.

Acknowledge awareness is a step toward action. It is action that will end violence. Let's vow not to be a powerless bystander.

Next we can extend our awareness to choosing our "heroes" carefully, holding them to high standards & remembering no matter how powerful, powerless or privileged, there is no entitlement to do harm.

Maybe you'll find your opportunity to step forward on **page 2 - volunteer opportunities.**

The Center for Women and Families Announces Building Repair & Renovations of the Joan E. Thomas Campus

The Center for Women and Families has **temporarily relocated services from our 927 S. 2nd Street facility** in order to complete substantial renovations to the building.

All of our services remain available. There is no change in agency phone or e-mail contact information.

Interim questions about services will be answered on our **24 Hour Crisis and Information Line: 502-581-7222.**

According to President and CEO, Marta Miranda, "The Center has been challenged with roofing issues this past winter and as a result, the leaks have caused considerable damage to the building that we need to address.

With this said, we are using this opportunity to evaluate all of issues we have with our Second street location and renovate the building – the finished product will allow us to do a better job of addressing the needs of our clients.

While we are sad to temporarily put our services on hold on at our Joan E. Thomas Campus while this renovation takes place, we are extremely encouraged and excited about the opportunities the building changes will mean for all of our programs.

We anticipate we will be out of the building for approximately eight months. The Center has and will continue to provide services to the survivors of intimate partner violence, domestic violence and assault and their children 24/7 365 days a year free of charge."

About The Center for Women and Families
The Center for Women and Families helps

victims of intimate partner abuse or sexual violence to become survivors through supportive services, community education and cooperative partnerships that foster hope, promote self-sufficiency and rebuild lives.

The Center has been serving the community since 1912, when it began as part of the YWCA. Today it is a private nonprofit organization serving nine Kentuckiana counties and operating seven regional locations, three of which provide emergency shelter, transitional housing and/or long-term housing options.

The Center maintains a \$4.7 million budget and provided housing, advocacy, counseling, therapy and education to over 30,000 people last year.

Click for [Relocation Information](#)





WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH . . .

Is drawing to a close but not before the **Kentucky Commission on Women** celebrated their 50th Anniversary with a huge announcement.

Toyota donated a \$100,000 grant to the KCW Foundation for the production of a one-hour television-style documentary on the contributions of women to the history of Kentucky.

This project may be the first of its kind to focus on , the history of Kentucky women. Outlets for the documentary will include public television and schools across the state as an educational tool.

While it may be the first project of its kind, it is part of a **continuing effort by KCW to remember the history and contributions of Kentucky Women.**

It's all part of writing women back into History!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you would like more information than what is included below please email OFW@louisvilleky.gov OR contact the agency contact listed.

You may or may not be aware of these existing efforts and organizations who are asking for more volunteers. But through Safe & Healthy Neighborhoods (Director, Anthony Smith) efforts to work with & support youth are ramping up and requests are going out to community members like you.

Right Turn Louisville Needs Mentors - 200 mentors over the next two years as part of the Right Turn grant we received. Mentors will be working with 16-19 year olds who are either at risk or have already been part of the juvenile system. Mentors will need to make a yearlong commitment to spend time each week with their mentee and there will be a specific focus on career/education training. Call Mitchell Tinsley at 574-4115.

NC3 Volunteers - As discussed this morning, the Network Center for Community Change (NC3) will be helping us spread our safe and healthy neighborhoods message as well as reinforcing the need for parental engagement. They will definitely need extra hands to get the word out – you can sign up at www.makechangetogether.org or call Ebony O'Rea at 583-1426.

Volunteers needed at LMPD Headquarters this Friday – there is a big need for volunteers this Friday night from 10pm–at LMPD HQ (633 W Jefferson). Please text Col. Yvette Gentry at 744-6694 if you are interested. (LMPD has other [volunteer opportunities](#).)

Volunteers needed to diffuse hot spots – We need community groups with positive role models showing up where our youth gather. If you are interested in helping please contact Chad Rehnberg at chad@newbreedchurch.org.

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